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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace claims 5-6, 8-9, 11, 13-14, 20, 24, 28-30, 32, 34 and 35, as follows:

5. (Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein said first and/or second helper adenoviral vector is (are) a wild-type adenovirus genome(s). *(D)*

6. (Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein said first and/or second adenoviral vector is (are) a defective mutant(s) of a wild-type adenovirus genome.